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MISSION SPOKESMAN KAPLAN, AT REGULAR FOREIGN PRESS BRIEFING, ANNOUNCED FOUR MEMBERS HOUSE ARMED FORCES COMMITTEE, HEADED BY OTIS G. PIKE (D-N.Y.), ARRIVING TOMORROW MORNING. WILL BE HERE UNTIL WEDNESDAY, HOPE TO HAVE THEN FOR TUESDAY BRIEFING. MACV REP ANNOUNCED TWO MORE US CASUALTIES FROM DONG XOAI ACTION: TWO SEABEES PREVIOUSLY MISSING LOCATED ALIVE, WOUNDED.

PAGE 2 RUMJIR 652A C O N F I D E N T I A L HE ALSO ANNOUNCED FOLLOWING ARVN-REPORTED VC CASUALTY FIGURES FROM DONG XOAI: A OUT 300 KILLED AT DONG XOAI ITSELF; 400 MORE THREE-FOUR MILES NORTH, LITTLE EAST DONG XOAI IN AREA WHERE HEAVY AIR ACTION TOOK PLACE. ARVN ALSO REPORTED FOLLOWING VC WEAPONS CAPTURED: THREE BAZOOKAS, TWO 57MM RECOILLESS RIFLES FOUR 60MM MORTARS, FIVE 30CAL MACHINE GUNS, NINE AUTO-MATIC RIFLES, 130 CARBINES, 40 SUB-MACHINE GUNS, 25 RIFLES, ONE FLAME THROWER, 400 MINES, 1000 GRENARES AND SIX RADIOS. MILITARY SPOKESMAN REPORTED FOLLOWING ARVN CASUALTY FIGURES, ALSO RELEASED BY ARVN: 108 KILLED, 46 WOUNDED, 126 MISSING. MACV REP SAID NONE ABOVE CONFIRMED BY US SOURCES. MACV DAILY RELEASE HAD LATEST DETAILS DONG XOAT BATTLE, WHICH BEING FILED USINFO.

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AS BUS TURNED CORNER, MAN STANDING ON CORNER THREW BRIEFCASE, RAN TO MOTOR BIKE MANNED BY ANOTHER, BOTH ESCAPED. SUITCASE FOUND TO CONTAIN ABOUT ONE-POUND PLASTIC CHARGE WITH TWO FUSES. FAILED DETONATE BECAUSE IMPROPERLY FUSED. ABOUT 40 IN BUS, ALL AMERICANS.

CHIEF MACV PIO INTRODUCED FOLLOWING, WHO GAVE DETAILED BRIEFING PAGE 3 RUMJIR 652A C O N F I D E N T I A L ON QUOTE MARKET TIME ENDQUOTE SEA SURVEILLANCE: CAPTAIN TRAN-VAN- PHAN, CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS, VN NAVY. RADM NOWELL G. WARD, USN, CHIEF, NAVAL ADVISORY GROUP, VIETNAM.

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